

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Previously presented) A medal tray provided for a medal game machine as a portion where medals are ejected, comprising:

a bottom wall on which medals are accumulated; and  
a first side wall, a second side wall, and a rear wall surrounding three sides of the bottom wall, the rear wall having a width extending from the first side wall to the second side wall, the rear wall being provided with a protrusion portion for regulating accumulation of medals along the rear wall, so that the protrusion portion projects forward and is provided above the bottom wall so as to be separated from the bottom wall,

wherein the protrusion portion is tapered in the vertical direction from a base portion joined to the rear wall toward a tip, and disposed between a medal ejection port and the bottom wall so that medals ejected from the medal ejection port fall on a tapered portion of the protrusion portion, and wherein the protrusion portion extends across the entire width of the rear wall.

2. (Previously presented) The medal tray according to claim 1, wherein the first side wall has the medal ejection port.

3. (Original) The medal tray according to claim 1, wherein a curved wall is provided between the bottom wall and the protrusion portion.

4. – 5. (Canceled).

6. (Previously Presented) A medal game machine comprising:

a medal tray where medals are ejected, the medal tray comprising:

a bottom wall on which medals are accumulated; and  
a first side wall, a second side wall, and a rear wall surrounding three  
sides of the bottom wall, the rear wall having a width extending from the first side  
wall to the second side wall, the rear wall being provided with a protrusion portion  
for regulating accumulation of medals along the rear wall, so that the protrusion  
portion projects forward and is provided above the bottom wall so as to be  
separated from the bottom wall,

wherein the protrusion portion is tapered in the vertical direction from a  
base portion joined to the rear wall toward a tip, and disposed between a medal  
ejection port and the bottom wall so that medals ejected from the medal ejection  
port fall on a tapered portion of the protrusion portion, and wherein the protrusion  
portion extends across the entire width of the rear wall.